

XM Radio is a wonderful innovation that allows its users to access to digital sound and a wide variety of music stations. History proves that everytime one of these innovations start gaining popularity, private interest groups try to stifle progress to protect themselves, not the welfare of the public. XM radio exists because people are not satisfied with their alternatives. Public radio stations force-feed us with unwanted commercials and limited programming that appeals to a certain segment of the population. I know in my particular area, I do not get to listen to my favorite types of music unless I buy the CD's. If XM did not exist, I would still not listen to these stations because of the relentless advertising. XM radio should actually be praised because it will force all radio stations to increase the quality of their programming. Limiting XM's right to broadcast will encourage an inferior product. This is not the American way. We need to encourage great products and foster their growth, not protect private interests.